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and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts. per box. just what a horse needs when in bad ment," he said. "The exaltation of the condition. Tonic, blood purifier and American mind concerning Cuba is not pairs of stocking from its way. vermifuge. They are not food but medicine and the best in use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25 that there are Spanish jingoes, as well as in 1880. The Eldora woman, who was an cents per package.

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Current.

UNITY REASSURING. CONGRESS'

To Those Who Feared Embarrassment Through Conflicting Purposes--Excess of Merchandise Exports.

Heavy Outgo of Cotton. R. G. Dun & Company's Weekly Re-

view of Trade, last week, said: Orders for mor more than \$25,500,000 gold rule of the Fatherland. from Europe have blocked any drift towards stringency in rates for money and treasury receipts of \$1,000,000 per day continued at a rate considerably increased and the demand for products of the great industries shows steady expansion.

Prompt action by the Senate and House has removed all fear of embarrassment through conflicting purposes at Washing of certainly about the youthful counted with a little of that "horrible tan"ington. The government is making ready without any waste of time, while frankly assuring everybody that it looks for a peaceful settlement and hopes that its office of the warrant clerk of Recorder preparations may prove unnecessary.

EXCESS OF EXPORTS.

The backbone of the situation is the excess of merchandise exports more than \$41,000,000 in February with an increase of \$2,000,000 in miscellaneous products, \$2,100,000 in provisions, \$4,500,000 in cotton, and \$7,000,000 in breadstuffs compared with last year and \$15,700,000 in all products. In two weeks of March, exports have been sixteen per cent. larger than last year and imports have gained 8.7 per cent. although especially swelled by receipts of India rubber, sugar and

hides. The outgo of cotton surpasses all expectations, though the price was stronger last week and the export demand apparently paid no attention to market fluctuations. Receipts from plantations continue much greater than at the corresponding date from the largest crop heretofore produced, so that guesses about the future crop are now the main reliance of speculators.

· Wheat also moved in spite of all speculations. Atlantic exports, flour included, have been 1,824,569 bushels against 1,253, 390 last year and from Pacific ports 1,371,-Meets second Monday in each | 826 bushels against 298,505 last year, making for three weeks from both coasts 10,-659,125 bushels against 4,538,441 last

> The price has varied with conflicting reports, but closed } higher for the week. Wool shows no charge in quotations, though Eastern markets are extremely dull, and the indifference of manufacturers has made transactions only 2,062,300 pounds against 10,891,900 for the corresponding week last year, and 5,088,500 for the corresponding week in 1892.

LONDON MARKET. The London market is rather higher and

a sixteenth lower than a week ago, and enough. In woollen goods, on the conactions and somewhat frequent cancellavielding in wool may result in a greater decline if this tendency in the manufacture continues.

combination of valley furnace helping, but | tinental firms pretty hard." pig is not changed in price elsewhere, nor are finished products at any point, excepting wire nails which are five cents per keg weaker, and steel eails which are said to be sold at \$17.50 at the East by some establishments.

Contracts have been made for 10,000 tons with Eastern works for domestic delivery, 12,000 tons for Australia, 8,000 tons with 7,000 bridge work for South Africa and the Illinois Steel Company, is filled with orders for the year. The Carnegie Company has sold 5,000 tons deck plates to ship builders of England, and several Chicago orders for plates exceeding 1,000 tons each are for railroads, car and agricultural implement manufacturers and projectile works. The wire combination having failed to effect the broader arrangement contemplated, is seeking to complete control of about 80 per cent. of the wire output of the country. While activity is great in the central and western

region, there is less demand at the East. Failures for the week have been 208 in the United States against 218 last year and 27 in Canada against 50 last year.

BISMARCK IS AGAINST SPAIN.

He Prophesies That Cuba Will Soon Be Free From the Galling Yoke-Applauds McKinley's Statesmanlike Course in

Friedichsruhe, March 18.-Prince Bis-

narck to-day gave an audience to Editor Bockel, of Chicago. The Prince's utterance on the Cuban question is without doubt the most important one that has been made in Europe since the war for the independence of Cuba began. Bismarck is the very citadel of conservatism in Europe. His voice is

Although the weather was inclement the venerable Prince walked erect without difficulty.

He began the conversation by eulogizing his old American friends, Bancroft, Motley and Schurz, and then went straight to the heart of the issues between Spain and the of the original "Mary's Little Lamb,"

ior statemanship by calming public excite- Mary Sawyer, who was born in Sterling, Yankee jingoes.

"The Spanish standpoint is mediaeval. yarn, and now proudly exhibits it.

TAZEWELL CO. DIRECTORY. BUSINESS STILL GROWING. Spain's atroctties in Cuba, her misgovernment at home and her treatment of capment at home and her treatment of captives in Montiuich Fortress are fresh in our recollection.

"Spain is to-day on the very verge of man, clerk. Terms of court—1st Monday in April, 4th Monday in August and 1st The War Scare Does Not Stop the bankruptcy. She cannot rely upon any support, except possibly from France or support, except possibly from France or Italy.

"When the German Emperor spoke of the Cuban question recently he did not refer to a war between the United States and Spain, but to a settlement in money. We Germans condemn war as impractical. We sympathize with the grievances of the gether. Like brother and sister, you Cuban insurgents. I prophecy that Cuba say? More than this. For brothers will soon become an independent republic and sisters are not always close friends. by diplomatic means."

Bismarck has been confined indoors for his eyes were bright and his spirit high. He smoked a long pipe.

A delegation of old Schleswig-Holsteiners called on the Prince to-day and he con- soft about Tessie, except, perhaps, her gratulated them on the fiftieth anniversary eyes, and they were a beautiful, soft Neither peace nor war reports have of the separation from Denmark and hazel. changed the onward, current of business. abounding prosperity under the beneficent

TO SWEAR AGAINST PA.

Because His Ma Didn't Dare to Leave Her Living Seat.

He was a mere stripling of a lad. He might have been 7 years of age or he might have been 9. Nobody could tell by looking at his face. The only mark and came back at the end of three years nance was the sure sign that some of his called it—gone out of her cheeks, and ancestors had come from old Ireland. The little fellow walked hastily into the Finnegan's court. He did not notice the four persons standing in line waiting to get affidavits made out against some both- intimately, yet we had never fallen in ersome relatives, but the youth pushed through the crowd and disengaged the attention of the clerk with this odd

demand :-"I want to make an affidavit against my pa," said he, and pushed his little red head around the side of the desk.

"You want what?" queried the clerk. "I want to swear against pa, said the boy again. "What has your pa done?"

"He has just been in a prize fight with

"Well why don't your ma swear out the warrant against pa? My boy, you ners for the whole evening. And then, are too young; you won't fill the bill." "My ma can't come, and she wanted ne to fix it up for her."

"Why could she not come?" asked the swear out the warrant.

"My pa and ma they got in the fight in My pa made a drive for her, but didn't somehow, as I took the shapely little land, and then my ma she grabbed up the hand she offered me to welcome her rolling pin and floored the old man. She back, after those three years at school, is now sitting on him, holding him down, somehow it came to me suddenly that and that is why she couldn't come to Tess was a beautiful girl, and that her swear against him. She sent me."-New eyes were bewitching. And there came Orleans "Times-Democrat."

AMERICAN GOODS IMITATED.

And then Sent Here Marked "Made in Germany."

Some of the Continental firms who deal in hardware have been making a practice might make love to my girl chum. of imitating well-known brands of Americolders in the interior are expecting a mamaker, style and trademark and exporting return from school, our folks and her Little encouragement appears in the the article to this country and inducing market for cotton goods, with print cloths people to believe that it was an article of at a little mountain hamlet with an unhome manufacture. There is a customs pronouncable name — a mixture of law prohibiting the importation of such standard grades undersold by many of less law prohibiting the importation of such the north of Lake Superior. We had al-Lodge note. The demand is large but not large articles, but the practice has been to similate the article in all respects, and then in of a good boarding house where they trary, the material advance in prices has light, obscure letters brand the article gave you enough to eat, and were too raised the only obstacle to increased trans- with the words made "in Germany" or unsophisticated to charge a ruinous other countries. Recently the customs price. It was a one-horse sort of a place, officials have issued orders that no such containing about a dozen families, TAZEWELL EN. appointed in their distribution. The small articles be imported unless the name of articles be imported unless the name of the country of orgin is plainly stamped on seed Yankees came there in the logging the article and so deeply that it cannot season and spent the summer in Dube buffed out. An English trade journal luth. The population numbered about in commenting on the new ruling remarks: 100 persons. The town was perched ery Wednesday night slightly stronger at Pittsburg, the proposed "This will probably hit some of the Conright on the side of a 1,300-foot-high

He Emptied the Church.

It is said that the good people of Niles, Mich., have a great passion for sliding down hill. That young and old, rich and poor, engage in it, to the detriment of bus- was very thickly wooded. Just a little Especially is this true Sundays, as the following will prove:

Wending his way to his church a few Sundays ago Rev. Mr. Blank noticed that nearly the whole village was coasting. He entered his pulpit and was pleased to see that his pews were full, and he congratulated all upon their piety and ability to re- retreat early in the summer, and I was sist the temptation to slide down hill, es- to join them in August, when I got my pecially as the ice was just right.

No sooner had he mentioned the fact that the hills were in good condition than this out-of-the-way place followed the those nearest the door quickly slipped out, to be followed by the rest at short interval, until within ten minutes not a soul remained. Later the good pastor could have been seen sitting on a nearby fence, tracks coming close to the water's edge scarcely see, and griming and pepperdelightedly watching his congregation while they pursued their favorite amusement.-Dowagiac Republican.

The Missing Mover.

In the Fifty-first Congress Major Mc-Kinley was chairman of the Ways and the majority. The McKinley bill was under discussion and there was an understanding between Mr. Reed and Mr. Mc-Kinley that at 3 o'clock on that day a motion should be made for the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union to

The hour of 3 o'clock came and Mr. McKinley was nowhere in sight, having gone to the committee room for a brief time to attend to some other business.

"The gentleman from Ohio," said Mr. Reed, interrupting the proceedings, "moves that the committee do now rise." Then, with another hasty glance about the House, he added, forcibly, in an undertone: "Where in the d-l is the gentleman

from Ohio?"-Washington Post.

possession some yarn spun from the wool about which John Raulston wrote the fa-"President McKinley has shown super- mous verses. The lamb belonged to Miss American mind concerning Cuba is not pairs of stockings from its wool, and unquite understood in Europe yet. It is true raveled them at a church fair at Sterling old acquaintance of the family, secured the

COMRADES.

By Louise E. Van Norman.

TESSIE and I were friends. We had always been friends since-well, since we wore dresses together. That was when I was five and she was four. We were, from that time, always to-We were chums. She went everywhere I went and did everything I did, and, twelve weeks. He is somewhat spale, but as we grew up to boyhood and girlhood, we were inseparable. Even when I had attained the dignity of long pants I preferred her society to that of my male friends, for there was nothing

> She was strong and athletic, but of a slender build; could drive, row and swim as well as I could; and had a complexion well browned by a long and intimate acquaintance with God's sunlight. A brave girl, too. I remember well how once she swam across a quarter of a mile of choppy river to get the doctor for that grumpy old Sarah Tore, the lighthouse keeper's wife. She loved the cross old woman, she said, although no one else saw anything in her to love.

Then Tess went to boarding school just the faintest trace of city manners about her; but at heart the same dear old Tess as ever.

Now, although my girl friend and I had known each other so long and so love with each other. I am positive of this, because when I got soft on Jennie Bingham and lavished all my money on flowers for her, Tess only laughted. Then there was the time I fell head over heels in love with dashing Cora Sands. Why, then I had it bad. I got to the stage where you moon around street of fire. Tess was driving the conveycorners and carve her name on old | ance, and she was alone. I was delight- | burned. stumps and gate posts. I even wrote ed with the prospect of a two hours' my name and hers together on the marriage page of the old family Bible, just strange that old Joe, the farm hand, think-only gaze upward stupidly at to see how it would look, and then had not come for me, as usual. Tess ex- the clear sky and wonder what had rubbed it out in guilty haste. Even then didn't Tessie get up the lawn party and | Croix, a neighboring town, helping maneuver so that Cora and I were partthere was the Jack Manners episode. Jack quite lost his head over Tess, and asked her father if he could marry her. I think he even proposed elopement to Tessie. But she didn't love Jack, she clerk, getting interested in the youngster's said, and so wouldn't hear of his waststory. He could not imagine why the ing any time or money on her. And I wife would not be only too willing to didn't feel a bit jealous. I am sure I didn't. So you see it's quite plain that we had not given the mischievous little god Cupid any work to do for us. the kitchen. That is how it happened. But now I was 20 and Tessie 19, and into my heart a strange, uncomfortable feeling - dissatisfaction, jealousywhat was it? It certainly was not pleasant. Suppose some one should take it into his head to fall in love with Tessie and marry her? Confound him!

But then, what was that to me? I was not in love with her. Of course not. We were only friends. And yet I instinctively disliked this fellow who

The summer I wish particularly to folks decided to spend the hot season hill. Dover mountain, they called it. Directly back of this hill-in fact, almost a continuation of it-rose a tall, pointed mountain about 3,000 feet high, which the French habitants called Ducre's Spine. This eminence, as well as the hill on which the little village lay, as though it had been dropped there, cleared of trees, while for miles around extended the dense virgin forest, most of whose heavy growth of pine, cedar, chestnut, oak and hickory, besides a

woodman's ax. The folks were to go up to this wild

The railroad by which one reached any faster than a good trot. struck into the forest for a short dis-From this point there wound up Means Committee and the floor leader of through the thick forest a narrow, toreven in the daytime, from the overarching trees, up to the houses on the hill- the females following with that star-

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side. Only one train a day stopped there, at 5:30, and they always drove I warded off a great blazing fir bough from the boarding-house to meet it in an antiquated, nondescript vehicle her eyes sparkling with excitement, her that might have come out of the ark. This was a two-wheeled rig, the wheels thick, rough slices cut from a hickory driving her chariot of wrath over the log. The horse usually attached to it-he was the only being attached in any

way to the unlovely thing-was a dignified, conservative animal, full of years, and which no amount of persuasion, either oral or flagellative, had ever been known to induce to accelerate his progress to anything faster than a stately walk. It had been an unusually hot sum-

mer. As the train swept along the lake shore I noticed the vegetation appeared very dry and parched, and that the little pools, which always flashed like gems from the rocky soil along the edge of the lake, had disappeared. The yellow-red swamp lilies that fringed the marshy ground to the north margin of the track seemed to literally burn in the ever-increasing roar of the flames, the scorching cays of the afternoon sun, and the sparks from the engine stack fell unpleasantly near some dry hemlock brush that edged the lake. Uncomfortable thoughts of forest fires about her waist and drew her down became up in my mind. Away off to the low the sides of the crazy old vehicle, west I could see a wreath of thin, black smoke curling itself lazily upward, I by!" watched it a moment, and it seemed to get thicker and blacker.

"A trapper cooking supper," I possible to hear her words. thought, but the notion of a forest conflagration still lingered unpleasantly

in my mind. As the train slowed up I grabbed my valise and sprang off onto the plat-torm. The conductor in the caboose ment—of the old horse dropping to the form. The conductor in the caboose behind-it was a long train of two passenger coaches, and 20 or so freight cars-waved his arms, and the heavy Soon it had vanished around the curve. I walked up and down the rough platform, waiting for my stage, and my thoughts again returned to the possibilities of a fire on the mountains.

What a terrible thing it would be! vian rig winding in and out among the trees, about half a mile up, and I quickly dismissed from my mind all thoughts tete-a-tete with plained that the man was off at Tour fight a forest fire. "Great heavens!" I "Suppose the fire should exclaimed. come this way and overtake us before we get home!"

Tess laughed. "No danger of that, I guess," she said, as she turned the horse's head back in the direction he had come.

It was a delightful afternoon. The air was now cooling down and, under my poor sight could reach there was the shade of the trees that overhung nothing but blackness, except overhead our homeward way, it was very pleas- -a landscape in jet silhouetted sharpant. We chatted and laughed until we ly against the soft azure of the clear quite forgot the existence of any such sky. A few feet from me lay the fighing as fire or danger.

It was a good eight miles from the railroad to the farmhouse, and we had ful Heaven! About half of her clothes covered about a quarter of that distance, when, on looking to the south, though dead. I suddenly noticed a dense black smoke rising in large, thick masses three or but myself can ever know. It was four miles off. It seemed to be rapidly approaching. Again that terrible hought of fire suggested itself,

"We had better get home as quickly as possible! That is the forest on fire!" said Tess. "Wouldn't it be a terrible thing if it should reach the road before we do. It is certainly coming toward us!"

the road seemed to cross the track of the fire some distance ahead of us. Our Ben," said she, "and "Tessie' "-everysituation was becoming serious. The road was not wide enough to afford us an oasis in this approaching simoon, and if the flames got within half a mile of us, we could not escape, except by a miracle. The fire came nearer. There was no mistaking it now. The evergreens and withered underbrush had become veritable tinder in the long-continued hot and dry spell, and before the destroying flames they disappeared as snow before the sun. It was only about half an hour since I first noticed the smoke, and now we could hear distinetly the distant crack and roar of the flames, and every now and then the heavy, resonant swish and boom as some great king of the forest fell, crashing through the smaller growth beneath it. The twilight was coming swiftly on. We began to get thoroughly frightened as the fire came nearer

and nearer. A great cloud of cinders and smoke, the advance guard of the all-devouring iness, social demands or spiritual welfare. space close about the houses had been enemy, began to blow in our faces and fire the dry underbrush at our feet. A breeze had sprung up. We might have died for it two hours before and not received it, but now, when its presence rank undergrowth of sumac and scrub was most deadly, it appeared to give oak, had never been desecrated by the greater velocity to the already furious

pace of our destroying enemy. I applied the whip vigorously to the old horse, and he seemed to put forth his best energies, but the crazy wagon was so heavy that we did not get along

On came the fire. It was now within shore of the mighty Lake Superior for | balf a mile of us and roaring like a about 100 miles from Duluth, and then | wild beast in sight of his prey. A great cloud of smoke and cinders preceded tance to avoid a great mass of basalt | the flames and blew right in our faces, rock, too hard to tunnel through, the | making our eyes smart so that we could again about five or six miles from where | ing our flesh till it felt raw. A flock of they left it. Just where the road was teal-great big, beautiful fellowsfarthest from the lake, at the most swept over us, flying toward the lake, northeasterly point of the detour, the uttering loud, discordant cries. Now train slowed up a moment to let off any and then one of the number would fall passenger for the place with the long to the ground, its wings, perhaps, name. The hamlet boasted no station, singed by the flames over which it had only a platform of rough, unhewn logs. passed. Four beautiful deer, a massive stag with magnificent antlers and three soft-eyed does, came at full bound from tuous road, rough and stony, and dark | the covert to the left of the road, the buck leading in a frightened run and

tled, almost human, look in their large eyes that one notices in animals at bay. A long, glossy black snake writhed its swift way through the underbrush, across the road and was lost to view in an instant. I scarcely know how I managed to see all these minor features in the output would have been larger. the play which afterwards came so near being a tragedy, but every little thing is indelibly impressed upon my mind,

Our old horse was now fully alive to

even to this hour.

rickety old vehicle along at a rate it \$5000 and one for \$3800. had never gone before. I held the reins and spoke encouraging words to him, and tried to comfort the brave girl at my side. Tess was trying to keep the Generale, of Paris, is about to reduce the cinders off us with a little silk parasol rates of cab hire. Five hundred of its cabs -one of my gifts to her-but soon there | are to be supplied with the Marix indicawere so many holes burned in that tor, which shows how long the rider occudainty relic of civilization that it became a veritable colander, through which poured a red-hot blinding flood of sparks and smoke. A great hissing, cracking cinder lighted on her Tamo'-Shanter and that soon was so near a the girls who serve as cashiers to "read, blaze that I snatched it off and threw All druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Get only Hood's. it away. Tess looked like an angry goddess. Her long brown hair had es-

created. As she held the reins while face pale as ashes, and her lips set, she looked like another Queen Boadicea necks of her proud Roman insulters. Even in those moments of agony I won-

dered how she kept up so marvelously. We were now about half way home and almost in the belt of flame. Things might now get better, and if we could hold out for another half hour there was a chance of our getting off with our lives. I tried to speak, but my throat was so parched that I could not utter a sound.

The heat was frightful. Clouds of dense white smoke settled about us in suffocating closeness, while the thunder of the falling giants of the forest, together with the sharp fusillade produced by their snapping branches and made up a grand and awful diapason. And the fire came closer and closerand finally-it reached us. "Tess!" I shouted, as I put my arm

"dear girl, our time has come! Good-"Dear Ben, good-by!" I read rather

than heard from her lips. It was im-And after that, as the novelists say, all was like a dream. I have a confused recollection of a heat so terrible as to

almost force my eyes from their sock-

ground-of standing over my brave Tess fighting off the blazing branchescars—waved his arms, and the heavy of agonizing burns on my head, face train once more increased its speed. and hands. And then there came a terrible crash! I seemed to see 10,000 stars and all was darkness! I never knew just how long I was un-

conscious, but it must have been for many hours, for when consciousness again mounted her throne in my soul But just then I spied the antedilu-it was broad day. At first I could not ian rig winding in and out among the open my eyes at all. Then I managed to just separate the lids, but it was the acutest torment to do so. I afterwards found that they had been horribly Full sensibility came back very slow

her, but thought it ly. For awhile I was dazed. I could not happened. Soon, however, it all came back-all the horror and pain-and I attempted to start up.

"My God! Tess!" I groaned, as I retranspired. But I found I was too weak to do anything except barely move my head. When I could see about me, what a lesolate scene it was that met my

blurred and crippled vision. As far as ure of a human being! My God! It was Tess! And was she dead? Merciwere gone and she lay motionless, as How I suffered at that sight no one

which I was not ashamed, distilled from my eyes like drops of liquid fire and plowed red-hot furrows down my scorched cheeks. And then I again lapsed into unconsciousness. Whole ages might have passed before I knew anything more. Then suddenly

worse than my own misery. But I

could not move, and the hot tears, of

"You have been sick just three weeks, July 31, 1897. one of us said "Tessie" and not Miss

Mills-"is just able to walk around." It came out afterwards that Tess had received her worst burn while trying to ward off a great blazing branch from my head, after I had become unconscious. Of course, she was lionized for her bravery-"when I didn't do anything brave at all," she afterwards said to me, with a bright blush. I didn't say anything, and what I did is scarcely

worth recording. The doctor says I will bear no permanent evil effects of my adventure save several deep, ugly scars on my head and

arms. But when I take my youngest boy on my knee and pour into his never-tiring ear, again and again, the story of my escape from a fiery death, and then look over across the table where sits my sweet-faced wife, I shudder at the recol lection of that night of horror and marvel at the strength of a true woman's love .- N. Y. Ledger. MADE DAAR W. A

-Carter lake, Ore., is believed to be the deepest fresh water lake in America. Its depth being 2,000 feet.

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Taddells-He has evidently missed is vocation. "What should he have been, if not

"A poet." Harlem Life..

CURRENT TOPICS.

New York women have taken to the wearing of high heels again, but they are no longer called French, as formerly. In ordinary times the shoe dealers would call the style Spanish, but just at present it is Cuban.

The upper crust of Chinese society in-

clines to the wearing of long finger nails,

which are much better taken care of than

those of the average Caucasian. It is customary in China to wear jeweled cases of silver or gold over the nails. Broken Hill, the great silver producing district of New South Wales, yielded silver bullion to the value of about \$3,000,000 and ore unconcentrated valued at over \$5,

000,000 in 1897. But for the destructive

effects of a great fire in the leading mine The downtrodden farmers of Kansas still seem to be making both ends meet, according to the newspapers of that State. The Dickinson County Reflector cites an the danger we were in. He trembled instance of a wheat grower who last week and shook in every limb and drew the received two checks for his crop-one for

> In order to successfully compete with omnibuses and tramcars the Compagnie pies the cab and how much is due to the driver. Rules posted in the office of one of the

elevated railroad stations in Chicago forbid sew, flirt, gossip or comb their hair" while on duty. Here's a subject for investigation by the women's rights societies! caped from its fastenings and swent

"Three from two you can't," says the schoolboy. Right! Three from two you can't, either in dollars or dividends or sarsaparilla. It takes the best sarsaparilla root to make the best sarsaparilla extract. The best sarsaparilla comes from Honduras, C. A., and the Dr. Ayer Co. practically controls the entire product. Yet others claim to be making "best" sarsaparilla. They must be making it out of the remainder left after subtracting three from two. But, "three from two you can't." You can't make the best sarsaparilla without best root.

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vs. | In chancery. Shannon Leedy, Charles Leedy and Rhoda Leedy, defendants.

John M. Leedy's Estate the sum of \$98.70 with interest from New York

as prescribed by law. A copy.

Teste: H. Bane Harman, Clerk. H. C. Alderson, p. q.

Y county court for Tazewell county, March 15th, 1898.

Application. To the clerk of the county court of Tazewell County, State of Virginia:

or parcel of land in the town of Richlands, n said county, designated as lot 11, sec. 78, plan C, on a plat with a certificate by the Clinch Valley Coal and Iron Co., filed in the clerk's office of the county court of said county, and being the same lot or parcel of land sold by the treasurer of said county for taxes due thereon for the year 1892 by and in the name of George A. hirey and bought at said sale by the auditor of public accounts of Virginia for said State and county. Said lot or parcel of land now stands on the commissioner's books of said county in the name of the said George A. Shirey, and I hereby agree to pay the amount for which the sale to the Commonwealth was made, together with such additional sums as would have accrued from taxes and levies and interest if such real estate had not been so purchased by the Commonwealth with interest on the amount for which said sale was made at the rate of six per centum per annum from The valuable property known as the the day of sale, and on the additional sums It from the 15th day of December in the year

> And it appearing from affidavit filed with the foregoing application that George A. Shirey is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he appear here within four months after due publication hereof, and do what is necessary to protect his interest. A copy. 3-17-4t Teste: T. E. George, Clerk. VIRGINIA: In the clerk's office of the

county court of Tazewell county, March 15, 1898.

Application. To the clerk of the county court of Tazewell County, State of Virginia. I, the undersigned S. A. Richardson, nereby file with you this my application as provided by law, to purchase a certain lot or parcel of land in the town of Richlands in the said county, known and designated as lot 3, in section 42, plan B, on a plat with a certificate by the Valley Coal and Iron Company, filed in the clerk's office of the county court and being the same lot or parcel of land sold by the treasurer of said county for taxes due thereon for the year 1893 by and in the name of F. M. Etting and bought at said sale by the auditor of public accounts of Virginia for said State and county, Said lot or parcel of land now stands on the commissioner's books of said county in the name of F. M. Etting. And I hereby agree to pay the amount for which the sale to the Commonwealth was made, together with such additional have accrued from taxes and levies, and interest, if such lot or parcel of land had not been so purchased by the Common-wealth, with interest on the amount for

and on the additional sums from the 15th day of December in the year in which the same would have accrued by law. S. A. RICHARDSON And it appearing from affidavit filed with the foregoing application, that F. M. Etting is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he appear here within four months after due publication hereof, and "do what is necessary to

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M. M. Leedy, assignee of H. N. Leedy, John W. Crockett, sheriff of Tazewell county, and as such, administrator of John M. Leedy, deceased; John Leedy, Francis Dillow, H. N. Leedy, C. G. Leedy, Margaret Cowan, William Leedy,

with interest from November 15th, 1896. Also the sum of \$6.73 with interest from June 14th, 1897, and to subject the land in the bill mentioned to the payment of same, being 120 acres of land situated on the head waters of Clinch River, Tazewell county, Virginia. Said John M. Leedy having died seized of a two-thirds undivided interest therein. And it appearing from affidavit filed, that H. N. Leedy and Shanon Leedy, are

non-residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia, it is ordered that they appear here within fifteen days after due publica-tion of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit, and that copies hereof be published and posted

TIRGINIA: In the clerk's office of the

I, the undersigned A. C. Gardner, hereby file with you this my application as provided by law to purchase a certain lot

A. C. GARDNER.